demand for steel annually. This assessment is not made zone-wise state-wise or plant-wise but for the country as a whole.

(b) and (c) Do not, arise in view of (a) above.

Enforcement *of* total prohibition

2155. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States which have enforced the total prohibition upto now;

(b) name of StatesAJnion Territories to from total prohibition council of its own and amount of incomes of the States/Union Territories lost in the year;

(c) whether Government have extended to assist the .financial loss of the States/Union Territories; and

(d) if so, the amount of assistance to each State/Union Territories?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOO-WALIA): (a) According to the available information, States of Haryana and Gujarat have enforced total prohibition.

(b) Information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) There is no Scheme with the Government of India to compensate the financial loss of the StatesAJnion Territories on implementation of Prohibition.

(d) Does not arise.

School for talented students of SCs/ Sts/OBts in Bihar

2156. SHRI JANARDAN YADAV: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schools opened and their l<3cation in the State of Bihar for the development *at* talent in in specific talented students belonging to SCs, STs, backward classes, minorities and terrorist afEected communities;

(b) the places where building complex of these specific schools could not be constructed during the last five years;

(c) the details of assistance given by the Central Government to the State during this period, year-wise; and

(d) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOO-WALIA): (a) The Ministry of Welfare has not opened any such schools in Bihar.

(b) to (d) Questions do not arise.

Crimes agenst SCs, STs and other weaker sections

2157. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to State:

(a) whether it is a fact that crime against scheduled castes, scheduled tribes and other weaker sections has been increasing in the country;

(b) if so, the number of cases reported to his Ministry during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97;

(c) the steps taken to stop attocx-ties against SC/ST and other weaker sections; and

(d) the details thereo!?